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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

**Supplemental
Notice of Allowability**

Application No.

10/635,170

Examiner

Peter J. Vrettakos

Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Petition grated 5-9-06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 8-43 and 46-55.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date see attached
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

IDS dates: 2/17/04; 9/20/04;1/4/06

SUPPLEMENTAL REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The case was prior allowed. The Applicant petitioned to ultimately permit a change of inventorship after a Notice of Allowance was mailed (2-8-06). The petition was to reopen prosecution was granted 5-9-06.

Inventorship

In view of the papers filed 5-8-06, it has been found that this nonprovisional application, as filed, through error and without deceptive intent, improperly set forth the inventorship, and accordingly, this application has been corrected in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48 (A)(2). The inventorship of this application has been changed by addition of new inventors, Sinelnikov, Savage, Merino, and Hotmer.

The application will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination (OIPE) for issuance of a corrected filing receipt, and correction of Office records to reflect the inventorship as corrected.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Peter J. Vrettakos whose telephone number is 571-272-4775. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9-6.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Linda C. Dvorak can be reached on 571-272-4764. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Pete Vrettakos
May 27, 2006




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PRIMARY EXAMINER

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Lopath et al.

Application No.: 10/635,170

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For: BALLOON ALIGNMENT AND
COLLAPSING SYSTEM

Examiner: P. J. Vrettakos

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PETITION TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP PURSUANT
TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(A); TO ACCEPT DECLARATIONS
EXECUTED BY LESS THAN ALL JOINT INVENTORS
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(A); AND TO WAIVE
REQUIREMENTS OF 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(A)(2) AS TO
ONE JOINT INVENTOR PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.183

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Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the inventorship in
the above-referenced patent application be corrected from the
present inventive entity of Patrick David Lopath and Edward Paul
Harhen to the six-person inventive entity of:

Patrick David Lopath

Edward Paul Harhen

Yegor Sinelnikoy

James D. Savage

Jaime Merino

John Hotmer

NEW INVENTORS

pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(1).

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(3), a declaration
according to 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 is submitted herewith in the form